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***AAFM Announces 2022 Scholarship Opportunities for Active-Duty ICBM Professionals***

[**13 Jun 2022**] – The Association of Air Force Missileers (AAFM) is pleased to announce the opening of the application period for **semi-annual scholarships to eligible active-duty ICBM professionals** to help cover additional costs related to earning their degrees. Eight scholarship awards of $500 per recipient are available to all ranks and specialties serving the nuclear deterrence mission.

While tuition assistance is designed to pay 100% of tuition costs for approved degree programs, AAFM recognizes there are additional costs that students incur due to tuition assistance limits, including application, exam and technology fees and textbook/eBook costs.

We are honored to name these scholarships in recognition of two key members of our AAFM family:

Colonel Charles S. Simpson Founders Scholarship

Colonel Simpson (USAF Retired) is a founding member of AAFM. He served as the executive director for the Association’s first 25 years and continues as the newsletter editor and director emeritus. His pioneering vision and leadership in AAFM serve as an inspiration to preserve, educate and advocate for the ICBM nuclear deterrence mission.

Chief Master Sergeant Richard “Hawk” Hochheiser Memorial Scholarship

CMSgt Hochheiser (USAF Retired) was an AAFM life member. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in the fall of 1963, serving in Okinawa, Chanute AFB, F.E. Warren AFB and Offutt AFB. Chief Hochheiser specialized in electronics and missiles. The Minuteman ICBM system was his passion; he served as an electro-mechanical team (EMT) member and in tech engineering roles across all variants of the Minuteman system.

For more information and to apply, visit [afmissileers.org/scholarships](http://www.afmissileers.org/scholarships). **Application deadline is** **1 Aug 2022**.

***YOU*** *are an Active Duty Airman serving the ICBM Mission…*

***YOU*** *are interested in obtaining an advanced degree…*

***YOU*** *struggle to cover financial costs that exceed Tuition Assistance Reimbursement Levels…*

***YOUR Association of Air Force Missileers is here for you!***